

CHAPTER 20

2019 FALL AND 2020 SPRING WILD TURKEY HUNTING SEASONS

EMERGENCY RULE

Emergency Rules are no longer in effect 120 days after filing with the Registrar of Rules.

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of Wyoming Statute § 23-1-302.

Section 2. Hunting Regulations.

(a) No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) license for a wild turkey during any one (1) season, except as otherwise provided in this regulation. The maximum bag limit for wild turkey for any person with the proper license shall not exceed one (1) wild turkey per license.

(b) Issuance of Licenses. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) fall wild turkey license and one (1) spring wild turkey license in any calendar year. After the initial drawing is completed, a person may apply for and receive up to three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for each season, provided that at least two (2) of those licenses are Limited Quota Type 3 licenses. However, no person shall apply for and receive more than a total of three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for the fall season and no more than a total of three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for the spring season.

(c) No person shall possess or use shot other than nontoxic shot for hunting wild turkeys with a shotgun on all of the lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Areas and on all national wildlife refuges open for hunting.

(d) Evidence of Sex. During the spring season in those hunt areas limited to the taking of male wild turkeys or any wild turkey with a visible beard, a visible beard shall remain naturally attached to the carcass as a means of identification in the field and while the wild turkey is being transported.

(e) 2019 Fall Season. Hunt Areas, Season Dates and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Type	Season Dates		Quota	License	Limitations
		Opens	Closes			
1		Sep. 1	Sep. 30		General	Any wild turkey, archery only
1		Nov. 1	Nov. 30		General	Any wild turkey
2		Sep. 1	Sep. 30		General	Any wild turkey, archery only
2		Oct. 1	Dec. 31		General	Any wild turkey

Hunt Area	Type	Season Dates		Quota	License	Limitations
		Opens	Closes			
2	3	Sep. 1	Sep. 30	200	Limited quota	Any wild turkey valid within Converse and Natrona counties, archery only
2	3	Oct. 1	Dec. 31			Any wild turkey valid within Converse and Natrona counties
3		Sep. 1	Dec. 31		General	Any wild turkey
3	3	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	250	Limited quota	Any wild turkey
4		Sep. 1	Sep. 30		General	Any wild turkey valid east of the Bighorn River, archery only
4		Nov. 1	Nov. 30		General	Any wild turkey valid east of the Bighorn River
5		Sep. 1	Sep. 30		General	Any wild turkey, archery only
5		Oct. 1	Dec. 31		General	Any wild turkey

(f) 2020 Spring Season. Hunt Areas, Season Dates and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Type	Season Dates		Quota	License	Limitations
		Opens	Closes			
1		Apr. 11	May 31		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
2		Apr. 1	May 31		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
2	3	Apr. 1	May 31	200	Limited quota	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard valid in Converse and Natrona counties
3		Apr. 1	May 31		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
3	3	Apr. 1	May 31	400	Limited quota	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard

Hunt Area	Type	Season Dates		Quota	License	Limitations
		Opens	Closes			
4		Apr. 11	May 31		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard, except the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission's Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area shall be closed
4	1	Apr. 11	May 31	50	Limited quota	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
5		Apr. 1	May 31		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard

Section 3. Archery Regulations. Wild turkey may be taken with archery equipment during any open season in accordance with Section 2 of this Chapter.

Section 4. Hunt Area Descriptions.

Area and Number.

Area 1. Black Hills. All of Crook County and that portion of Weston County north of U.S. Highway 16 or east of U.S. Highway 85.

Area 2. Central. That portion of Weston County south of U.S. Highway 16 and west of U.S. Highway 85; and all of Converse, Natrona and Niobrara counties.

Area 3. Powder River. All of Campbell, Johnson and Sheridan counties.

Area 4. Bighorn Basin. All of Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park and Washakie counties.

Area 5. South Central. All of Albany, Carbon, Fremont, Goshen, Laramie and Platte counties.

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